

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE  
NASHVILLE DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, ex rel., )  
THOMAS REED SIMMONS, )  
 )  
Plaintiff, )  
 )  
v. )  
 )  
MERIDIAN SURGICAL PARTNERS, LLC; ) CIVIL ACTION NO. 3:11-0439  
MERIDIAN SURGICAL PARTNERS – ) JUDGE CAMPBELL  
FLORIDA II LLC; MS HOLDING CO., INC.; )  
TREASURE COAST SURGERY CENTER, LLC; )  
TREASURE COAST SURGERY, INC.; )  
WILLIAM BYRON; )  
ANESTHESIA ADVANTAGE, INC.; )  
JOHN DOE ASCs A THOUGH Z, )  
 )  
Defendants. )

**CONSENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
TO DISMISSAL OF THE ACTION PURSUANT TO 31 U.S.C. § 3730(b)(1)**

Pursuant to 31 U.S.C. § 3730(b)(1), the United States hereby consents to the dismissal of the above-captioned *qui tam* action with prejudice to Relator and without prejudice to the United States, as set forth in the Joint Stipulation of Dismissal filed by the parties.

Respectfully submitted,

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

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